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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Jesus Wilfredo Casas-Bejar et al. )  
Serial No. : 09/063,227 )  
Filed : April 20, 1998 ) Group Art Unit:  
For : Medical Electrical Leads and Indwelling Catheters with ) 3763  
Enhanced Biocompatibility and Biostability ) Examiner:  
Docket No. : P7109.00 ) J. Thissell

REQUEST CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114.  
REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111 &  
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.121

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Applicants submit amendments and their reply to the final office action dated February 19, 2003, and request to continue examination (RCE). The RCE also serves as withdraw of Notice of Appeal that Applicants submitted on May 19, 2003.

In the Final Office Action received by the applicants, the disposition of the claims stood as follows:

- ◆ Claims 13-19, 24, 27, 29, 33, 34, 36-39, 41, 43 and 44 are pending in the application.
- ◆ Claims 13-19, 24, 27, 29, 33, 34, 36-39, 41, 43, and 44 are rejected.